



The declaration filed December 26, 2001, and the petition filed February 26, 2002, have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a).

This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in new Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for completion of pre-examination processing.

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